GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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POWS IN PAK JAILS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain facilities and financial assistance are provided to the families of prisoners of war lodged in Pakistani jails;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (c): All the missing defence personnel of 1965 and 1971 wars, after a lapse of 7 years, have been presumed to be killed and their families are given liberalised pensionary awards, which include Liberalised family pension, Gratuity, Children allowance and Education allowance for children.